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DEPARTMENT PASS TREASURY FOR BERGSTEN; ALSO FOR USEC

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP (W. MICHAEL BLUMENTHAL)
SUBJECT: VISIT TO BRUSSELS BY SECRETARY BLUMENTHAL

REF: STATE 99442

1. MEETING AT 10:45 APRIL 26 ACCEPTABLE TO MINISTER GEENS. GEENS' CABINET (VAN YPERSELE) CONFIRMS THAT THE SECRETARY AND MINISTER WILL PROCEED TOGETHER TO 11:00 MEETING WITH TINDEMANS. THE TWO CAN WALK NEXT DOOR BY WAY OF A PRIVATE INDOOR PASSAGE.
2. AMBASSADOR CHAMBERS WILL ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY ON ALL CALLS ON BELGIAN OFFICIALS.
3. BELGIAN-AMERICAN LUNCHEON WILL BE OPEN TO THE PRESS.
4. MRS. COLETTE STASSE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BELGIAN-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION, AGREES TO INCLUDE UP TO TWELVE MEMBERS OF THE SECRETARY'S PARTY IN THE LUNCHEON (INCLUDING MEMBERS OF CONGRESS). SHE UNDERSTANDS THAT MORE PLACES WILL PROBABLY ALSO BE REQUIRED FOR SECRET SERVICE AGENTS. MRS. STASSE APOLOGIZED FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO INVITE ALL MEMBERS

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OF THE PARTY, BUT GIVEN HEAVY BOOKINGS ALREADY FOR THE LUNCHEON, SHE BELIEVES THERE WILL NOT BE ROOM. THE COST WILL BE BF 750 (APPROXIMATELY \$24) A HEAD.

5. PLEASE PROVIDE A LIST OF NAMES OF THOSE OFFICIALS/ CONGRESSMEN WHO WILL BE ATTENDING THE LUNCHEON WHICH WE CAN PASS TO MRS. STASSE.

6. EC-RELATED QUESTIONS POSED REFTEL WILL BE ANSWERED
SEPARATELY. CHAMBERS

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